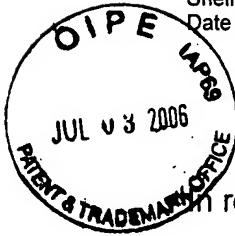


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AMENDMENT A

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated March 8, 2006, for which a shortened statutory period for reply expired on June 8, 2006. A Petition for a one-month Extension of Time is filed herewith extending the time for response up to and including July 10, 2006, as July 8, 2006 falls on a Saturday. A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed to cover the large entity extension fee. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.